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Sir:

The above-identified U.S. application corresponds to European Appl. No. 03 027 421.1. A Search Report issued in connection with the European application on February 17, 2004 and a copy of the Search Report is attached. The Examiner will note that the European Searcher identified four documents that were considered to be relevant. Each of the documents was identified as a Category A reference, and hence was considered to relate merely to the technological background of the invention. None of the references was considered to be particularly relevant when considered alone or when combined with another reference. The four references cited in the European Search Report have been listed on the attached copy of Form PTO-1449. Copies of the British and French references also are attached. The Examiner is requested to consider these references during the examination and to make the references of record.

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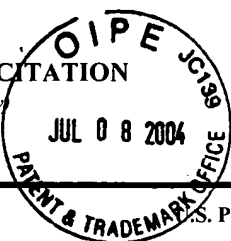
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U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

*EXAMINER INITIAL	REF	DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	NAME	CLASS	SUBCLASS	FILING DATE IF APPROPRIATE
		6,336,329 B1	1-2002	Adler et al.			
		6,470,791 B1	10-2002	Welter et al.			

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

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							YES	NO
		716.733	1931	France				✓
		959,138	1964	Great Britain			✓	

OTHER DOCUMENTS (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)

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